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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

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1. (amended) An intranet system for a financial services entity, comprising: an interface application for accessing at least one internal data source and at least one external data source that a user is entitled to access, the external data source comprising a real-time market data source; and

an authentication system for determining which features of a plurality of features that correspond to applications and the data sources a user is entitled to access, displaying the a list of the features available to the user based on entitlement data-sources on the interface application, displaying data supplied by the data sources in response to a user selecting an available feature, and setting a user specified preference profile, the authentication system allowing a user to access features according to entitlement and accessing the user preference profile to provide a user customized interface independent of the user's location.

2. (cancelled)

3. (amended) A system as recited by claim 1, wherein the feature internal data source includes at least one of a newsletter, marketing support, consultative services, products, services, operations, research, legal, divisions, employment and training.

4. (original) A system as recited by claim 1, wherein the interface application includes global function selections.

5. (original) A system as recited by claim 1, wherein the interface application further includes a scratchpad application for moving information between displays.

6. (original) A system as recited by claim 1, wherein the authentication system populates the interface application based on user entitlements.

7. (original) A system as recited by claim 6, wherein the authentication system provides access to the system using a single log-on process.

8. (original) A system as recited by claim 1, further comprising a data source content management application.

9. (original) A system as recited by claim 8, wherein the authentication system determines a user entitlement level to access the content management application.

10. (original) A system as recited by claim 8, wherein the authentication system allows access at a content provider level and an administrator level.

11. (original) A system as recited by claim 8, wherein the content management application includes a content converter.

12. (original) A system as recited by claim 8, wherein the content management application includes an administrator system for managing content of an internal data source.

13. (original) A system as recited by claim 12, wherein the administrator system controls movement of data between a production database, a staging database and an archive database.

14. (amended) A system for providing financial information to end users in a network environment, comprising:

an interface having

means for selectively displaying information from an internal data source and an external data source, the external data source comprising a real-time market data source; and

means for controlling the display of information; and

an authentication system having